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The Applicant submits that the claims 4-5, 9-10, 12, 22-23 and 30 which are pending in the Application, are now believed to be in condition for allowance. If there are any issues which prevent the immediate issuance of a Notice of Allowance the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant at the contacts listed below.

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**APPENDIX A
CLEAN VERSION OF CLAIMS**

4. (Thrice amended). A clamping device with two or more grip jaws, which merge into a pincer portion each and are joined together in a transition area by a crosspiece, wherein both the clamping device and a half-profile of said clamping device are integrally formed from plastic and the pincer portions take the form of hollow chamber profiles, characterized in that, in the inoperative state, the grip jaws lie adjacent to each other in a biased condition generated by extrusion and that the pincer portions are spaced apart,
wherein a unitary spring device forces the pincer portion apart in addition to the biasing force.

5. (Twice amended). The clamping device as recited in claim 4 characterized in that a spring device forces the pincer portions apart in addition to the biasing force.

12. (Twice amended) The process as recited in claim 9 further comprising the step of stamping predetermined breaking points into said length of extruded plastic.

30. (Once amended) The process as recited in claim 10 further comprising the step of stamping predetermined breaking points into said length of extruded plastic.